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examinations in the higher secondary course in the next three or four years. All these matters have been considered by the Legislature Committee and I hope to place the Committee's Report ere long on the table of the House.

SRI C. KANDASAMY : In the Annamalai University also there is an Engineering College. Will not complications arise in respect of students from the Madras University who join the Engineering College of the Annamalai University and also in respect of students from the Annamalai University who want to join the Engineering College at Guindy with regard to the prescribed qualifications?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Once there are complications, there are bound to be difficulties. I hope all these difficulties will be solved.

SRI K. ARANGANATHAN : The Hon. Minister stated that the Government and the University were considering so many aspects relating to the pre-University Course and other things and will be coming to decisions. What is the necessity for the University to introduce the pre-University course during this year itself?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : That is a matter of controversy in which I was also a party. I do not think we should reopen it again.

SRI M. PALANIYANDI : சென்னை சர்வகலாசாலையில் 'ப்ரி-யூனிவர்ஸிடி கோர்ஸ்' படித்த மாணவர்கள் மெடிகல், இன்ஜினீரிங் காலேஜ்களில் சேரமுடியும். ஆனால், அவர்கள் அண்ணாமலை சர்வகலாசாலையிலுள்ள தொழில் கல்லூரியில் சேருவதில் சிரமம் ஏற்படலாம். ஆகவே, அண்ணாமலை சர்வகலாசாலையிலும் 'ப்ரி-யூனிவர்ஸிடி கோர்ஸ்'-ஐ ஒரு வருஷம் வைப்பதற்கு அரசாங்கம் அவர்களுக்கு ஏதாவது உத்தரவு கொடுக்குமா ?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : 'ப்ரி-யூனிவர்ஸிடி கோர்ஸ்'-ஐ எல்லா காலேஜ்களும் நடத்தியாகவேண்டும் என்பதில்லை. சில காலேஜ்களில் இப்பொழுது நடத்தினாலும் இன்னும் சில காலேஜ்களில் பின்னால் ஆரம்பிக்கலாம். அண்ணாமலையில் இருக்கக்கூடிய இன்ஜினீரிங் காலேஜுக்கு மற்ற இடங்களிலிருந்தும் மாணவர்களை கஷ்டம் இல்லாமலே அனுப்பி வைப்பதற்கு சௌகரியமாக இருக்குமென்று நினைக்கிறேன்.

(* 314 *Q*.—Not put by the hon. Member.)

College of Indigenous Medicine, Madras

* 315 *Q*.—SRI S. DAIVASIGAMONEY (on behalf of Sri 9-10 a.m.
A. Ratnam) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) when the College of Indigenous Medicine, Madras, was started;

(*b*) the total amount spent towards improvement to buildings so far; and

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(c) the course of studies in Indian Medicines that have been replaced by Modern Medicines?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY : (a) The College of Indigenous Medicine now designated as College of Integrated Medicine was started during 1947.

(b) Rs. 9,61,537.

(c) Indigenous Surgery and Indigenous Midwifery have been deleted from the curriculum of studies. The time allotted for these subjects is utilized for teaching Modern Hygiene, Public Health and Nutrition.

SRI N. K. PALANISAMY : May I know, Sir, why the post-graduate course should not be introduced in the College of Indigenous Medicine?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY : The University would not permit it. They want the standard of training to be very high and on a level with that of the M.B.B.S. students. But we can post there Specialists and give them training and Government can give certificates.

SRI K. ARANGANATHAN : I would like to know from the Hon. Minister for Health whether he is aware of the fact that those doctors who are trained in the Indigenous Medicine are practising only allopathy and not Indian medicine.

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY : They are using both indigenous medicines and modern medicines. The hon. Member may be aware that unqualified practitioners, i.e., people who have had no training worth the name anywhere are using modern anti-biotic medicines much more than our qualified practitioners.

SRI S. RAMALINGAM : Some time back the Hon. Minister assured us on the floor of the House that the Government will take suitable steps with the authorities of the Madras University so that this course may be recognized by them. Has any action been taken in that line and if so, what is the result?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY : That will be done by and by when the teaching and training in this College is upgraded still further.

SRI S. DAIVASIGAMONEY : Are Government satisfied with the progress made by the College of Indigenous Medicine with regard to adoption of modern medicine and the cure of disease?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY : Even in the wards where Ayurveda, Unani and Siddha treatments are given, the physicians are sometimes using modern medicine.

SRI P. RAMAMURTHI : The Hon. Minister admitted, rather made a statement to the effect that unqualified or untrained people are using anti-biotics much more than the qualified people. In

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view of the fact that excessive dose of anti-biotic medicines will lead to very harmful results, what do the Government propose to do for preventing the sale of anti-biotics to unqualified people?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY : The Government of India are proposing to introduce legislation for this purpose.

SRI V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR : Apart from the original views which the Hon. Minister has, regarding the indigenous medicine and its utility, may I know whether his recent visit to Mysore has changed his opinion?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY : The students of the Mysore College are on strike for the last two months.

SRI V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR : Instead of learning from the students in strike, did he go and consult the teachers there?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY : I have had no contact with the teachers. Hon. Members are aware that in Travandrum there was a strike. In Mysore there is strike. They want teaching and training to be upgraded as in Madras. Madras College has become the envy of the whole country. (Cheers.)

SRI V. K. RAMASWAMI MUDALIAR : Is it not a fact that these anti-biotics are issued only to qualified allopathic doctors by the chemists?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY : Like liquor people manage to get it somehow.

SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN : Is it a fact that the State of PEPSU have written to the Madras Government for all details about this College of Indigenous Medicine to enable them to start such an institution in their own State because of the high and very creditable achievements of this institution?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY : That is what the Dean of the College stated yesterday and my hon. friend was present then.

Damage to paddy cultivation by floods

* 316 *Q.*—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state the extent of the damage caused to paddy cultivation in Chirakkal taluk, Malabar district, by floods in June and July 1956?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : One hundred and ninety-seven acres of paddy cultivation were damaged.

(* 317 *Q.*—Not put by the hon. Member.)